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BANDITS FRUSTRATED

PARTY WITH \$8,000 WELL
ARMED WHEN FIRED ON
FROM THE WOODS

On Their Way to Pay Off Employ-
ees in a Water Company—
Two Horses Killed After
Exchanging Twenty-five
Shots—Bandits
Retire.

Johnston, Pa., June 20.—A desper-
ate attempt was made by four
masked men to rob Superintendent
W. H. C. Ramsey, and Secretary
Frank Howard, of the Johnstown
Water Company, of about \$8,000
in cash, which they were convey-
ing to the new Dalton Run dam
near this city, to pay off the 400
men employed there. The two men
made a run for it and escaped, but
not until two horses had been killed
and about twenty-five shots had
been exchanged.

Mr. Ramsey and Mr. Howard
started from this city in the early
afternoon, and had reached a wood-
ed stretch of the highway which af-
fords an excellent opportunity for
a holdup. Both men were heavily
armed and were driving in a boggy
with the money in a satchel at
their feet. Close behind them, on
horseback, rode Chester Miltenber-
ger, an employee, who has been in
the habit of riding down from the
dam to meet and protect the pay-
masters. Across his knees Milten-
berger carried a loaded Winchester
rifle.

The first intimation the party
had that there was trouble ahead
was a fusillade of shots from the
deep woods and the tottering and
sudden twitching of the horse which
was drawing the buggy. An in-
stant later the horse that Milten-
berger was riding was shot from
under him.

The paying party drew their
weapons and directed their fire
toward the woods, where as yet they
had been unable to see their assail-
ants. The horse that Ramsey and
Howard were driving staggered on,
and just as it became evident that
he must go down Howard grabbed
the valise and jumped from the
buggy and started to run. Ramsey
also left the vehicle, but he
and Miltenberger retreated slowly,
exchanging shots with the men in
the woods. A bullet grazed Ram-
sey's forehead and inflicted a slight
wound. Otherwise the men escap-
ed uninjured.

While walking backward Ram-
sey and Miltenberger got sight of
the highwaymen, but could not de-
scribe them accurately.

With the bandits in the woods
and the two men in the road still
firing at them, the party traversed
a considerable distance, but How-
ard had run ahead with the money,
and when the highwaymen saw
that their loot was beyond their
reach they abandoned the chase.

Local police went to the scene to
find only the two horses lying dead
in the road. The people in the
vicinity of where the attempted hold-
up took place have taken up the
search, and tonight a hundred arm-
ed men are scouring the country
for the highwaymen.

New York, June 22.—Stories of
the war in the Far East have caused
an outbreak among the inmates
of the Morris Plains Insane Asylum
near Morristown, N. J. Half a
dozen lunatics who had engaged in
a long controversy, finally made a
break for liberty. They crossed
Speedwell river and hastily threw
up a small fort of timbers on the
top of a hill. Attendants attempt-
ed to carry the works, but were
met by volleys of stones and beat a
hasty retreat. For three hours the
fort held out. Then a truce was
arranged and the commander of the
garrison agreed to a parley as escape
was impossible.

A conference with the com-
mander of the keepers was held under
the white flag on a big flat stone in
the middle of the river. In all ser-
iousness the lunatics, after a long
wrangle, agreed to surrender, hav-
ing been granted some small favors.
No losses were reported beyond a
few bruised heads.

For Sale.

Span of mares. Inquire of Frank Francis-
co, Corvallis.

Cripple Creek, Colo., June 23.—
In reply to a telegram from the
New York World, Charles H. Moyer,
president of the Western Federa-
tion of Miners, who is now a pris-
oner in the county jail here, sent
an extended statement of present
conditions in the state from his
standpoint. Mr. Moyer said in
part:

"The deportation of the union
men and others, being in my opin-
ion unlawful, the Western Federa-
tion of Miners will use all lawful
means to re-establish their mem-
bers in their homes. No violence
will be resorted to, but such legal
steps as may be necessary to bring
about the desired results will be
taken at the proper time. Pending
such action, deported members and
their families will be supported by
the federation.

"General Bell alleges that his
policy has been successful, and that
other states are expected to follow
suit. If this be true, then rebellion
is not improbable, as the great ma-
jority of the American people are
today condemning such a system,
and, regardless of unionism, would
bitterly resist any attempt to put
the same into practice. I disagree
with the general as to the labor
troubles being settled in Colorado,
but do believe they will be settled
by the ballot in the month of No-
vember."

Ashland, Or., June 22.—T. K.
Bolton, a prominent druggist of
this place, who was arrested on the
complaint of two private detectives,
who claimed to bail from Iowa, by
the name Van Wert and Peabody,
for selling them liquor, pleaded not
guilty and stood trial in the record-
er's court this morning. The drug-
gist admitted selling them a bottle
of whiskey, but maintained that
they obtained it on a plea that they
were going on an outing trip and
wanted to take it along for medical
use. Both prosecuting witnesses tes-
tified that the whiskey was sold them
without qualification. The jury,
however, evidently preferred to be-
lieve the druggist to that of both
informers, and promptly returned
a verdict of acquittal.

Portland, June 22.—The Oreg-
onian: The warships Wyoming,
Paul Jones and Perry will be in
Portland Harbor next Monday
morning, and will remain here for
two weeks. They will be one of
the greatest attractions of the Carnival
and the Fourth of July celebration
and doubtless will be visited by
thousands of sightseers. The ves-
sels will be moored in what is
known as the "warship anchorage,"
just above the steel bridge, where
they will be easy to reach by launch
or rowboat.

Portland, June 22.—Portland
Oregonian: The light-draft steamer
Oregon, built at the Portland
Shipbuilding Company's yards for
the Oregon City Transportation
company, has been launched and
will soon be ready for service. She
will ply on the Upper Willamette
as far as Corvallis, and will be able
to run the year round.

Portland, June 22.—Oregonian:
The fine American steamship Ne-
braskan, of the American-Hawa-
ian line, arrived in port at 6 o'clock
yesterday morning, having com-
pleted the longest voyage ever made
by an oil burner. The vessel comes
from New York, and brings 2000
tons of assorted cargo. She is the
first of what is hoped to be a per-
manent line of steamers plying be-
tween the Atlantic seaboard and
this city.

In 55 actual running days the
Nebraskan steamed 13,682, using
crude oil for fuel. She left New
York April 17 and arrived at San-
Francisco June 10, where part of
her cargo was discharged. On the
passage around from New York the
vessel's speed averaged 103.4
knots. Her tanks have a capacity
of 11,000 barrels of oil, which will
run her for 60 days.

The Nebraskan is the best exam-
ple ever seen in this port. She has
all the conveniences for handling
cargo to be seen on foreign tramps,
and many more besides. Further-
more, and is gracefully built, staunch
and seaworthy and neat in appear-
ance. The steamer was launched
in June, 1902, at the yards of the
United States Shipbuilding at
Camden, N. J. She is 360 feet long,
42 feet 6 inches beam and 34 feet 6
inches depth of hold.

Buy your 4th of July outfit at
Nolan & Callahan.

A RICH POCKET.

FARMER PLOUGHS UP LONG
BURIED TREASURER.

Reported Discovery of from \$300-
000 to \$500,000 on Squakie
Hill—Ravages of Grass-
hoppers in Umatilla.

Groveland, N. Y., June 11.—The
people of the neighboring village of
Mount Morris are generally worked
up over the reported finding of a
treasure of buried gold coins on
the farm of John F. White, on
Squakie Hill. The general report
is that the gold amounts to about
\$300,000, although some of the opti-
mistic who have talked with Far-
mer White put the value of the
coins as high as \$500,000. Living-
ston county has not been so full of
mysterious rumors for many gen-
erations, and almost everybody has
a different story to tell of the won-
derful find.

During the American Revolution,
one of the stories goes, a paymas-
ter in the Continental army on his
way into the Genesee and Wyom-
ing valleys was murdered by In-
dians, who buried somewhere in the
hills the gold that the paymaster
and his assistance were taken with
them to pay the soldiers. Squakie
Hill is one of those surrounding
the Genesee Valley.

The story of the buried treasure,
growing as the years went by, has
been handed down from generation
to generation in Livingston county,
and nearly everybody who has been
born and brought up in the vicinity
has made a search for the buried
treasure at one time or another,
every cave and cleft in the rocks,
and every old hollow tree has been
explored, and men have been dig-
ging here and there in the hills, off
and on, for a hundred years. But
up to the present time, so far as
was ever known, nobody has ever
come across a single coin.

Clairvoyants and so-called mind
readers have been brought here and
to Mount Morris, in the hope that
they might dream out the location
of the gold, and small parties fol-
lowing the mysterious tips received
have dug at night on Squakie Hill
and in a hundred other places with-
out success.

The story now circulating through
Livingston county is to the effect
that one of Farmer White's hired
men was engaged the other day in
ploughing a part of the farm that
had never before been tilled, when
his ploughshare turned over a large
flat stone. Under the stone was a
round, flat stone which gave forth
a hollow sound when accidentally
struck. The round stone being
lifted up a vault or hole in the
ground was discovered. The farm
hand replaced the cover and when
he went up to the barn to turn in
the horses for the night he told Mr.
White all about what he had dis-
covered.

That same night, it is said, the
owner of the farm went by himself
to the vault with a lantern and
spade. A neighbor saw the lantern,
he says, traveling several times that
night between Squakie Hill and
the White dwelling. This and some
talk let fall by Mr. White himself
have given rise to the story that all
of the immense buried treasure has
been recovered.

Cambridge, Mass., 20.—George
F. Phillips, who won renown as en-
gineer of the collier Merrimac, sunk
by Hobson at the mouth of Santi-
ago's harbor, is now numbered with
the dead at his home in Cambridge-
port.

Phillips enlisted in the navy as
a machinist, at the outbreak of the
Spanish-American war. When
Hobson called for volunteers to
sink the collier, Phillips offered
his services. He remained at the
engine of the Merrimac and at great
personal danger reversed his en-
gines under a storm of shells, then
open the sea valves, flooded the
ship and made his way to the deck
while the vessel was sinking. After
the war he was transferred to Phi-
lippine waters. His death was due
to bright's disease.

Pendleton, Or., June 21.—The
army of grasshoppers struck the al-
kali wheat-raising district, about
20 miles southwest of this city, a
few days ago, and has wrought
much damage to grain. Morad Fix

is the heaviest loser, grasshoppers
having eaten down 500 acres to
such an extent that the grain is
scarcely fit for hay. Other crops
in that vicinity have been more or
less damaged.

A visit of grasshoppers in this
county is unusual. This is the first
year the insects have done any
damage to grain.

Cooperstown, June 20.—Mrs. W.
A. Benwick, of Hartwick, in com-
pany with her sister and two boys,
was standing with a lighted lamp
in her hand in her home while a se-
vere storm was in progress. A ter-
rific clap, followed by a ripping
sound, is all that any of the party
remembers. When they revived
at the end of fifteen minutes none
of the party was injured.

The lightning had torn its way
through the gable, entered the
lamp chimney in Mrs. Benwick's
hand and extinguishing the light
and torn her shoe to shreds. Then
having played a few freaks with the
furniture the bolt shattered the
stove and made its exit through a
big hole in the floor. Mrs. Ben-
wick suffered no injury beyond a
dull red bruise on her heel.

Tokio, June 22.—The crew of a
junk which left Port Arthur a few
days ago and which was captured
by the Japanese, reports that two
Russian destroyers and the steamer
Shintaipeung struck floating mines
at the entrance to Port Arthur har-
bor and were destroyed and 140
Russians killed.

Tokio, June 23.—Reports received
from Chinese sources state that
despite reports to the contrary, the
Russians have not succeeded in
clearing the entrance to Port Ar-
thur, and when the cruiser Novik
made her appearance a few days
ago she was towed out by tugs. Ac-
cording to these reports, nearly all
of the big vessels have been denud-
ed of their guns, which have been
mounted on the harbor fortifica-
tions.

Washington, June 22.—Presi-
dent Roosevelt decided today that
a naval demonstration shall be
made against Turkey. Alexandretta,
from which port the American
squadron was recalled last year,
will be the objective point.

Admiral Barker's fleet, consisting
of the battle ships Iowa, Kearsarge,
Alabama, and Maine, sailed today
for Gibraltar for the Piraeus. The
battle ships Missouri and Illinois
and gunboat Mayflower will join
them there. When Admiral Jew-
ell and the European squadron,
now at Tangier, arrives, the demon-
stration against Turkey will be
made.

It is probable that the European
squadron will go first to Alexan-
dretta, this being decided upon in
deference to Russian's protest. If
the sultan does not then yield, the
battle ships will follow. It is un-
derstood there is no present inten-
tion of bombardment.

London, June 23.—The Daily
Telegraph's Tangier correspondent,
telegraphing to his paper at 9 o'-
clock last night, says: There is
another hitch, and the order for
sending forward the prisoners
has been countermanded. Raisuli
has demanded another province.
When Perdicaris is released he will
be brought to his town house,
where his wife is ill, suffering from
the treatment she received at the
hands of the brigands at the time
the capture was made. What will
follow the release of the captives, it
is impossible to discover. The next
step lies with France, who will not
land troops, but acting on the prin-
ciple, a thief to catch a thief, will
recognize Raisuli as governor of
Zeena and Abreezye and of the
country between.

St. Petersburg, June 22.—A se-
vere battle, lasting two days has
been fought near Haicheng. The
Russian casualties are given at 163
officers and 5,000 men.

The outcome of the battle is not
known, but from the fact that the
Russians gave no flat announce-
ment of victory, it is presumed by
the correspondents that the out-
come is either in doubt or that both
sides withdrew. Official announce-
ments are expected and excitement
in the capital runs high.

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